# ONLINE INSTANCE ADDITION AND DELETION
# IN A MULTI-INSTANCE COMPUTER SYSTEM

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ABSTRACT

A new instance of an application is added to a group of
existing instances (of that application) that share a
resource, such as a database.  The new instance is added by
10  creating a new object for the new instance by cloning an
existing object of an existing instance in the group,
setting up connectivity between the new instance and a
network through which the multiple instances communicate
with one another, and starting up the new instance.  The
15  just-described acts are performed in the reverse order when
deleting an existing instance.  Each of these acts may be
performed manually, or automatically without user input,
with the user issuing at least one instruction to add or
delete an instance.

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